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CHAPTER 40

HOUSE BILL 2150

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 28-2511, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO OFFICIAL
VEHICLES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 28-2511, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 28-2511. Official vehicles; registration exemption; definitions

5 A. A registration fee is not required for a vehicle owned by a foreign
6 government, by a consul or any other official representative of a foreign
7 government, by the United States, by a state or political subdivision of a
8 state, by an Indian tribal government, by a provider of ambulance, fire
9 fighting or rescue services that is used solely for the purpose of providing
10 emergency services or by a nonprofit organization that presents to the
11 department a form approved by the director of the division of emergency
12 management pursuant to section 26-318. The person who has custody of these
13 vehicles shall register them as required by this chapter and shall display
14 official license plates that bear distinguishing marks. The department shall
15 furnish the license plates free of charge. The department may issue regular
16 license plates without any distinguishing marks for vehicles that are exempt
17 from title 38, chapter 3, article 10 pursuant to section 38-538.03,
18 subsection B.

19 B. The director may issue license plates for vehicles owned by and
20 used in the line of duty by law enforcement agencies in other states and the
21 federal government without being registered as required by this chapter.

22 C. The director may enter into agreements or arrangements subject to
23 the approval of the attorney general of this state with the federal
24 government and with motor vehicle departments in other states to provide for
25 a reciprocal exchange of license plates for use on vehicles owned or operated
26 by law enforcement agencies for investigating actual or suspected violations
27 of law. License plates of other states obtained pursuant to this subsection
28 may be used on exempt vehicles of law enforcement agencies of this state or
29 a political subdivision of this state.

30 D. The director shall maintain a record of the license plates issued
31 pursuant to subsections B and C of this section. The director shall also
32 keep a record of the license plates received pursuant to subsection C of this
33 section, the regular license plates issued pursuant to subsection A of this
34 section and the vehicles to which the plates are attached. These records are
35 not open to public inspection except on demand of the attorney general.

36 E. Any vehicle that is registered pursuant to this section and that
37 is powered by an alternative fuel shall display an alternative fuel vehicle
38 special plate issued pursuant to section 28-2416, except that the department
39 shall MAY issue regular license plates without any alternative fuel
40 distinguishing marks OR REGULAR ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLE SPECIAL PLATES for
41 vehicles that are exempt from title 38, chapter 3, article 10 pursuant to
42 section 38-538.03, subsection B. This subsection applies to all existing
43 vehicles that are registered pursuant to this section and all newly-acquired
44 vehicles that are registered pursuant to this section.

- 1 F. For the purposes of this section:
- 2 1. "Alternative fuel" has the same meaning prescribed in section
- 3 1-215.
- 4 2. "Ambulance" means a vehicle for which a certificate of registration
- 5 has been issued pursuant to section 36-2212.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 17, 2002.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 18, 2002.

Passed the House February 5, 20 02,

by the following vote: 59 Ayes,

1 Nays, 0 Not Voting

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Speaker of the House

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Chief Clerk of the House

Passed the Senate April 10, 20 02

by the following vote: 24 Ayes,

5 Nays, 1 Not Voting

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill was received by the Governor this

11 day of April, 2002

at 2:50 o'clock P M.

[Signature]
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this 17 day of

April, 2002,

at 4:29 o'clock P M.

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Governor of Arizona

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State

this 18th day of April, 2002

at 2:22 o'clock P M.

[Signature]
Secretary of State

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